

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with C. Hunter Baker on March 3, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

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Please insert in claim 11 after X is O₃-- R₇ is hydrogen, -OR_K, -SR_K, -C(O)OR_K, -S(O)₂R_K, -O(C=O)R_K, -N(R_K)(C=O)(R_K), -C(O)R_K, -CON(R_K)₂, -OCO₂R_K, or an aliphatic, heteroaliphatic, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylaryl, or alkylheteroaryl moiety, wherein each occurrence of R_K is independently hydrogen, or an aliphatic, heteroaliphatic, aryl, heteroaryl, alkylaryl, or alkylheteroaryl moiety, --

In claim 18 please delete [R₅, R₆,] which appears in the third line from the bottom of the claim.

In claim 67 please delete [R_J,] which appears in the fourth line from the bottom of the claim.

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In claim ~~70~~ please delete [R_J,] which appears in the fifth line from the bottom of the claim.